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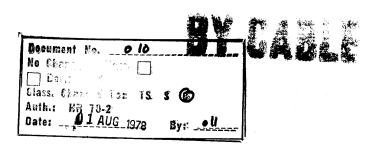
- 1. Marked hostility between the new Barcelona Civil Governor, General Felipe ACEDO Colunga, and Martin MERINO Chicarro, Barcelona Provincial Labor Delegate, was reported late in March 1951.
- The immediate cause of this hostility was said to stem from the fact that ACEDO was appointed Provincial Falange Chief as well as Civil Governor, which infuriated Barcelona Falangists. ACEDO aggravated the situation by wearing a military instead of a Falange uniform at his induction ceremony.
- This reported political discord may have reporcussions in the Spanish Government in Madrid, source believes, since MERINO is a protege of Jose Antonio GIRON de Velasco, Minister of Labor, and ACEDO is an intimate of Mlas PEREZ Gonzales, Minister of the Interior.*

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